

THE WEATHER:
Tuesday, occasional rain; moderate to fresh southerly winds.

SEVENTIETH YEAR.

VANDERVORT OPPOSED TO FAIR PASS

Alderman Spurns Proffer from Mr. Volk, Then Introduces Resolution; He Alone Votes for it

HIGH STREET DIP SUBJECTED TO PROBE

Council Will Not Initiate Measure for Purchase of Camp Grounds

Alderman H. H. Vandervort has refused to accept a pass to the state fair on grounds that there is no reason why any member of the council should not pay his way.

Alderman Volk appeared in the council chamber last night with a handful of passes and distributed them about to the aldermen. He proffered one of the yellow tickets to Vandervort.

"None, none; I can pay my way for a while yet," said Mr. Vandervort, rather gruffly.

Resolution introduced.

Vandervort had heard of the special favor to the councilmen earlier in the day and already had a resolution prepared providing that the members of the city council not accept them. This he introduced at the meeting last night. Vandervort voted for the resolution. All the other members voted against it.

The doling out of passes to the members of the city council is one of the privileges that comes with annexation of the state fair grounds as part of the city.

The protest of residents of North High street between Union and Division streets who object to the dip in grading that has been prepared for pavement, won a concession from the council last night when H. H. McMahan, attorney for the property owners appeared and asked for the appointment of a special committee to confer with the property owners and investigate relative to the grade. Mayor Wilson named Alderman Giesy, Simeral and Halvorsen on the committee.

Two Blueprints Used.

Mr. McMahan said the blueprint plan to which the property owners agreed provided a water drain to Division street, and that in his investigation he had discovered the work is being done according to another blueprint which causes the drain to be to the center of the block from both ends. The question that has arisen is how there happens to be two sets of plans. Strong objection is being made because the plan according to which the work is being done will cause a depreciation in the value of the property.

Mr. McMahan said that the city engineer, as a ministerial officer, could not have changed plans without the authority of the council.

The new traffic ordinance, which has been much subtlety about in recent weeks, was indefinitely postponed. As first introduced, the bill was vetoed by the mayor because it prohibited the parking of trucks in the main business section. When the newly drafted bill came up for third reading last night and the council had gone into committee of the whole to consider it, objection was raised that new state traffic laws will doubtless be enacted by the legislature which meets in January and probably render the proposed city law obsolete.

Park Purchase Opposed.

The council will not initiate a bill for the purchase by the city of the tourist camping ground. Alderman Utter, chairman of the committee, in a verbal report, said he would make no recommendation, but objected to paying the \$10,000 asked for the four acres of ground, claiming the ground is of gravel formation and not worth that amount of money. It is said the council generally favors municipal camp grounds, but agrees with Utter relative to the present site. It is believed the bill for purchase of the ground will be initiated from a source outside the council.

Immediate action will be taken for the repair of the South High street bridge which recently has settled eight inches at the center of the span, leaving sharp bumps at each end. While the city engineer reports that there is no immediate danger of the bridge falling, he recommended its repair before the heavy rains of the winter season begin.

The council adopted a report of the street committee recommending the grading and releveling of Cottage street from Hoyt street to First avenue.

Residents of Trade street, between Fifth and sixteenth streets, petitioned the council to grade and gravel the street, the material to be paid for by the property owners. It was referred to the street committee.

CHICAGO POLICE EAVERT A POSSIBLE RACE RIOT

BARRETT IS KILLED AS HE GOES TO GIRL'S RESCUE

Negroes Take Refuge in Church From White Crowds Who Seek Revenge

CHICAGO, Sept. 20.—Three negroes were besieged for more than an hour in St. Gabriel's Catholic church on the south side tonight by a mob of a thousand persons after the negroes had killed a white man, Charles Barrett, who is said to have gone to the rescue of a white girl insulted by the negroes. They were rescued and placed in jail when squads of policemen were sent to avert a possible race riot.

Chief of Police Garrity ordered the entire police force mobilized and placed several hundred extra policemen around the scene at the southeast corner of the stockyards where several thousand are employed.

Shortly after Barrett had been killed three negroes were dragged from a street car two blocks away and severely beaten.

The negroes who killed Barrett, cutting his throat with a razor, were chased several blocks by a continually increasing crowd and finally rushed into the church. Two hit in the confessionals and one back of the altar. Sticks and stones were thrown at the church and frequent yells of "lynch them" came from the crowd. Father Burke, pastor, pleaded with the crowd to disperse, but without avail. Only when the policemen, armed with rifles appeared, did the mob break up.

The south side "black belt," the scene of disastrous race riots a year ago, was placed under heavy guard, as was the stockyards quarter.

GOVERNOR FIRM IN MURDER CASE

Neal Hart Will Not Receive any Consideration by Executive

Governor Olcott will give no consideration to pleas that may come from any source that executive clemency be extended to Emmett Bancroft, alias Neil Hart, slayer of Sheriff Til Taylor of Pendleton. The state prison was received at the state prison Sunday, under sentence to die by hanging November 5.

Governor Olcott yesterday issued the following statement:

"Neil Hart, self-confessed murderer of Sheriff Til Taylor of Umatilla county, has been received at the Oregon state penitentiary under sentence to be executed November 5. His incontestable fact that anyone but his very near relatives should enter any plea that his sentence be lessened in any degree, but in order that there may be no misunderstanding I wish to make it plain at this time that no applications of any kind will be considered in this case and the law will be allowed to take its course.

Russell Brake Here to Begin Life Sentence

Russell Brake, convicted in the circuit court at Oregon City for the murder of Henry Dubinsky, a Portland taxicab driver, was received last night at the state penitentiary to begin a life sentence. He was sentenced yesterday morning by Judge Campbell.

George Moore, who was implicated with Brake, and who confessed to the murder, was received at the state prison in July, also to serve for life.

Brake still maintains his denial of guilt.

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In the confession made by Mullinix following his arrest he said he made a trip to Portland on one occasion to obtain a gunman who shot Steiger, but later lost his nerve and returned to Salem. A few nights later he rode on a bicycle to Steiger's ranch, and found the aged man milking his cows. Opening the barn door Mullinix fired four shots at Steiger, three of which took effect. Steiger was removed to a hospital where he remained for two months before returning to his home.

Steiger is reputed to be wealthy, and since the shooting has lived alone on his ranch. Mrs. Steiger appeared under considerable strain during today's sessions of the court, and paid strict attention to all the proceedings.

CITIZENS ARE FLEEING

HONOLULU, Sept. 20.—Citizens in the Khabarovsk region of Siberia are fleeing to Vladivostok and to the mouth of the Amur river because of reports that the bolsheviks in Siberia are planning a decisive winter campaign against the Japanese troops in Siberia, according to a cablegram received today from Tokyo by Nippon Jiji, a Japanese language newspaper.

AGED WOMAN FACES TRIAL BEFORE JURY

Mrs. Lena Steiger Accused of Complicity With Jess Mullinix in Attempted Murder of Husband Last March

ELEVEN JURORS ARE ACCEPTED BY COURT

Taking of Testimony Is Expected to Get Under Way Before Noon Today

Mrs. Lena Steiger, aged 62 years, was placed on trial in the Marion county circuit court here yesterday accused of complicity with Jess Mullinix in the attempted murder of her husband, John Steiger, at his ranch a short distance north of Salem on March 25 of this year. Because of the prominence of Mr. Steiger and the defendant in this vicinity the courtroom was crowded to its capacity during yesterday's sessions.

The taking of a jury consumed all of yesterday, and when adjournment was taken late in the afternoon 11 jurors had been accepted and the opposing attorneys had waived the right of further pre-emptory challenges. The jurors accepted to sit on the case include W. T. Riches, farmer, Turner, John Lomker, farmer, Elk, John Taylor, farmer, Mehama, Lyman H. Shorey, laborer, West Woodburn; Louis Webert, druggist, Aurora; W. A. Winslow, farmer, Aumsville; R. C. Jefferson, farmer, North Howell; A. F. Marcus, manufacturer, Salem; John Taylor, farmer, East Stayton; J. M. Skaffe, retired, Salem; and Joseph L. Godington, laborer, Salem.

The original venire of 18 men was exhausted before noon, when Judge Campbell ordered the drawing of eight more prospective jurors from the regular panel. These were exhausted at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon when the sheriff was instructed to select a panel of 15 more men to report at 9 o'clock this morning. It is not believed the selection of the twelfth juror will require more than an hour and the attorneys hope to have the taking of testimony well under way by noon today.

Talensman excused by Judge Kelly for cause on challenge of the defense included A. W. Veatch, C. W. Beecher, C. M. Roberts, Eugene Eckerlin, Otto Hansen and W. B. Hardy. Competency was established by pre-emptory challenge included Frank Mahoney, W. P. George, C. T. Pomroy, J. P. Parker, A. W. Andrews, Levi McCracken and Britt Aspinwall.

Before starting with the case the attorneys stipulated that the jury should be taken under the rules practiced in civil cases, and consequently the pre-emptory challenges were made without benefit of public credit to either the prosecution or the defense.

District Attorney Heltzel, who is handling the prosecution, questioned the talesman at length regarding their acquaintanceship with the defendant, and whether they would be influenced by the fact that she was more than 60 years of age. Special mention also was made of the prominence of Steiger and his wife in the community prior to the present difficulty of the defendant, and where that the jurors reaching an impartial verdict.

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GAMBLERS MUST QUIT.

BEND, Or., Sept. 20.—Poker and dice games are being conducted with such openness in Bend pool halls that revocation of the licenses of the proprietors may be found necessary, Mayor J. A. Eastes said today.

CONFLAGRATION IS LARGEST OF SEASON

FIRE STARTS IN FORESTS OF FOX BUTTE COUNTRY

Some of the Best Central Oregon Timber is Destroyed by Fast Flames

BEND, Or., Sept. 20.—Fire which started yesterday in the yellow pine forests of the Fox Butte country had spread rapidly and included at least 1500 acres of some of the best timber in central Oregon. W. J. Sprout, in charge of the Deschutes national forest office here, reported today. The conflagration was by far the largest of this season in the district.

Supervisor H. L. Plumb left on Saturday for the Fox Butte and yesterday Sprout received word from him by telephone that the fire had spread over a 1500-acre tract.

SMOOTH NATION CONTROVERSIES

League of Nations Settles Disputes Between Four Countries

PARIS, Sept. 20.—The ninth session of the council of the league of nations adjourned today after having smoothed differences between four nations in controversies which had threatened to result in war. In the Polish-Lithuanian crisis, the council got the two countries to agree to an immediate suspension of hostilities pending settlement of their dispute.

The Aland islands question likewise is considered in a fair way for settlement. A Finnish reservation was explained as having been made largely for technical reasons.

League officials explained that, although neither Finland nor Sweden was legally bound to accept the league's decision they were morally bound to accept it.

Count Quinones de Lons, Spanish ambassador to France, and Baron Kelsiro Matsui, Japanese vice-foreign minister, have been appointed to represent the league of nations in the Polish-Lithuanian question.

The Finnish reservation on the report of the council on the Aland island question was that Finland interests are so interwoven with those of Sweden that the islands should be decided whether there shall be a plebiscite.

The purchase of the Hotel National at Geneva for the permanent home of the league was approved.

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Regarding the fifth objection named, relative to Irish freedom, Governor reiterated that only through the league could Ireland secure a hearing before "the bar of public opinion of the world," and he promised to present Ireland's case to the league of electors.

On the sixth question, of the British and American voting power, the governor said it was covered by the Hitchcock reservation providing that all parties to disputes, including colonies or dependencies should be disqualified from voting.

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125 Rooms Listed During First Day

The citizens of Salem have answered the call for rooms to take care of the fair week crowds in a noble manner but in order to obtain the necessary 1000 they need to respond equally well every day this week and continue all during fair week. The Commercial club has fitted up a special room in order properly to handle the listing and distribution of rooms with additional phone service. Persons desiring to list rooms with the Commercial club should call 65.

LOST FOR 24 HORRS STUMBLES INTO CAMP

POSSE WAS SCOURING WOODS IN SEARCH OF THEM

Mrs. Elizabeth Crawford and Her 11 Year Old Son Are Now Safe at Home

PORTLAND, Sept. 20.—After being lost in the woods near Rainier, Oregon, for more than 24 hours, Mrs. Elizabeth Crawford of Portland and her 11-year-old son stumbled upon a logging camp today and tonight were brought safely home. Mrs. Crawford said she and the boy were picnicking when they lost their bearings. Their disappearance was reported late Sunday and a posse scoured the woods searching for them.

COX DECLARES SENATE FAILED

If Reservations Had Been Accepted League Might Now Be Reality

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 20.—Statements of Governor Cox, of Ohio, regarding reservations to the league of nations today were supplemented by him with a declaration that he knew of only six objections raised against the present covenant and that all six were covered fully by the reservations submitted to the senate by Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska. It was the first time the governor has discussed the Hitchcock reservations.

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TO STOP BALL GAME BETTING

Grand Jury Investigators Will Apprehend World Series Gamblers

CHICAGO, Sept. 20.—Grand jury investigation of alleged gambling by baseball players in last year's world series and in the game between Chicago and Philadelphia National league clubs on August 21 will start Wednesday with a score of baseball officials, players and writers subpoenaed to testify.

He declared that Hal Chase, Lee Magee and Hinnie Zimmerman, all former major league players, probably would be called. The charges of alleged gambling which have been voiced against Magee and Chase would enter into the investigation, he said.

The American league will ask congress to enact a law at its next session making betting on a baseball game a penitentiary offense. President Johnson said today that he would support such a law, but he would make it as severe as possible and worded so as to eliminate all baseball pools. Only in this way, he said, could gambling be definitely eliminated from baseball.

Mr. Johnson said the American league still was investigating the charges of gambling in last year's world's series, and expected to make public the results of its investigation in a short time.

"Most of my work this summer has been devoted to running down gambling charges," he said.

"Babe" Ruth Shattered Cobb's 1911 Record

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 20.—"Babe" Ruth, home run champion, shattered another record today, scoring his 148th run this year in the eleventh inning, to give New York a 4 to 3 victory over St. Louis. The previous mark was 147 runs established by Cobb, of Detroit, in 1911.

STORM SHIFTS TO NORTH.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—The weather bureau tonight in reporting the progress of the tropical hurricane, now central in the Gulf of Mexico, issued northeast storm warnings to be displayed between New Orleans and Lavaca, Texas, and northwest warning between Corpus Christi and Brownsville, Tex.

The storm was described as of considerable intensity and moving northwest.

AMBIGUITY OF LEAGUE DANGEROUS

Senator Declares He Would Rather Break Heart of World Than Destroy The Soul of America

SPEAKS TO CIVIL WAR VETERANS AT MARION

Admonishes Nation Not to Fall Prey to League of World War

MARION, O., Sept. 20.—Warning that the league of nations is full of "known ambiguities," and that it was an ambiguity in our constitution that led to the civil war, Senator Harding today asked a delegation of civil war veterans and a delegation of Kentucky and Tennessee citizens "how we ever can consent to enter into a new world compact with a dozen ambiguities in it."

League is War Pledge.

The senator asserted that article 10 of the league, is a "reciprocal" pledge on our part to help preserve the independence and national integrity of 44 nations," and that the article and its corollaries "clearly contemplate war if need be to make this preservation possible."

Asserting that President Wilson had placed the "purport of an obsolete 'Clayton-Bulwer' treaty" above our constitutional rights, in requiring tolls from American vessels passing through the Panama canal, Senator Harding exclaimed: "Who cares to say that this same sort of logic will not some day be used to place an unwilling America into foreign war if we resolutely subscribe to article 10, the constitution to the contrary notwithstanding?"

Refers to Civil War.

"I like to think of the blend of Kentucky and Tennessee with the sons of the north who saved the nation. I like to think that in 1920, there are few wounds of the civil war remaining, there are few signs of sectionalism in our national life, and there is no one who regrets the winning of the war by the north and the preservation of this wonderful land of ours."

"I like to recall that after all there were no very great differences between us. I only think it was a misdirected passion for country. You know there were two schools of American politics from the very beginning. One was the national school and the other was the school of states rights. These two schools came out of the very beginning of the republic; they waged their warfare with never ending intensity until it finally culminated in the great civil war and in that conflict the question was settled and the United States committed everlastingly to nationality.

"Have you ever stopped to think that we, one people, with naturally one interest, were led into the civil war by a mere ambiguity in the federal constitution? In the beginning we were so divided in our ideas that there was of necessity uncertainty left in the compact that was made and it required the civil war to wipe it out. And that was a very great price to pay. But remembering that, my countrymen, I want to ask you, knowing the cost of wiping out the ambiguity in the constitution of our own republic, how can we ever consent to enter into a new world compact with a dozen ambiguities in it?"

"Has the League a Heart?"

"Let me call your particular attention to one: There is much dispute about that which is known as 'the heart of the league.' No American can be simultaneously for article 10 and for the constitution of our republic any more than an American in Lincoln's time could be simultaneously for emancipation and for slavery."

"Let me say right here in passing, that I am a fairly sympathetic human being, and I wouldn't break the heart of anybody knowingly, but I would rather break the heart of the world than destroy the soul of the United States of America."

Orphan Girl Walks Two Hundred Miles Automobile Brings Canadian Whiskey

WOODLAND, Cal., Sept. 20.—Violet Nell, a 13-year-old orphan arrived here today three weeks out from Portland, Or., afoot, on wagons and in automobiles of tourists, she said.

"I was going to San Francisco or Los Angeles, where I heard there was lots of work," she said. Violet had about \$2 she had earned en route. She told of starting without money.

The girl was given a home here by Miss Sarah Savage until another could be found for her. She said she had walked 200 miles of her journey.

PORTLAND GRAPPLER WILL SEARCH RIVER

HUGH BRADY TO DRAG RIVER FOR GLEN SAWYER'S BODY

Salem Man Drowned While Trying to Rescue Little Daughter From Drifting Boat

Mayor O. J. Wilson will today telephone a request to Mayor Baker of Portland to allow Hugh Brady, Portland official grappler, to come to Salem and assist in dragging the bottom of the Willamette river for the body of Glen Sawyer.

Sawyer was drowned late Sunday, apparently when trying to rescue his little daughter, Mary, 3 years old, who was drifting down the river in a boat that had broken from its moorings on an island.

The city council last night instructed Mayor Wilson to request Mayor Baker to send Brady to Salem. This action was taken on the request of a committee from the Oregon Paip and Paper company where Sawyer was employed, the committee expressing a willingness to pay the expense necessary to bring Brady here.

The committee first conferred with Mr. Brady by telephone and was informed that the only way he could leave the city would be by request of the Salem council to the Portland mayor.

Little Mary Sawyer was observed drifting down the river opposite the foot of Hickory street about 6:45 p. m. Sunday when young men on the bank of the river heard her cries. A young man named Coombs swam to the boat, sobbing, and in her childish accent, the little girl informed him that "daddy was in the river."

Hurriedly grapplers were assembled and the river searched until midnight. Until yesterday it was presumed that Sawyer had fallen from the boat. Yesterday, however, some of his outer garments and his fishing tackle were found on the bank of an island a considerable distance above the point where the little girl was discovered. Mrs. Sawyer yesterday that he had run along the bank. This is believed to show that the boat had been moored and had broken away with the child aboard while her father was fishing from the bank. Apparently he attempted to swim to the boat to rescue her. Mrs. Sawyer yesterday that her husband was a good swimmer, and the presumption is that he was seized with cramps or was unable to make his way in the water because of his clothing.

Sawyer was 25 years old. He and the child had left their home in the afternoon to fish. He is survived by his wife and several children.

PRISON WARDEN TO LIMIT CROWD

Law Will Govern Number of Persons to Witness Execution of Neal Hart

Louis H. Compton, warden of the state penitentiary, will adhere strictly to the law in extending invitations to attend executions at the state prison. The warden so declared himself yesterday in commenting on the numerous requests that have come from persons who, for some sordid reason, want to witness the execution of Emmett Bancroft, alias Neil Hart, on November 5. Bancroft is the slayer of Sheriff Til Taylor of Umatilla county.

"An avalanche of requests to attend the execution of Neil Hart on November 5 has been received by my office," said L. H. Compton, warden of the penitentiary, today.

"Under the law the warden is required to be present at such a time and must invite the presence of one or more physicians, the attorney general of the state, the sheriff of the county in which the judgment was rendered, and at least 12 reputable citizens. At the request of the defendant he also may permit such ministers of the gospel as the defendant may name, but not to exceed five. The law specifically prohibits others from being present, save such peace officers as the warden may deem expedient."

"The law will be literally followed while I am warden at the penitentiary. The legal taking of a life is a grim matter of business and the execution chamber is not to be made a place to satisfy the morbidness of curiosity seekers."

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AMERICA TO RELINQUISH HAITI CLAIM

Secretary Colby Declares Haitian People Will be Capable of Self Administration Very Soon

ISLANDERS MAINTAIN GREAT ANTAGONISM

Cestero Declares Natives Want Sovereignty and Freedom